



Executive Department  
State of Idaho

*The Office of the Governor*  
**Proclamation**

State Capitol  
Boise

*WHEREAS, the State of Idaho appreciates the work of the Country Music Hall of Fame and Grand Ole Opry stars Miss Kitty Wells, Johnny and Bobby Wright, Whispering Bill Anderson, Ralph Emery, and Tommy Cash; and*

*WHEREAS, these treasured figures have molded and influenced our American music heritage in ways that cannot be measured; and*

*WHEREAS, music fans of all genres can appreciate the numerous doors these individuals have opened for the music industry throughout this state as well as the country; and*

*WHEREAS, Miss Kitty Wells has done tremendous work as the undisputed first lady of country music, and without her contributions country music may not be known as it is today; and*

*WHEREAS, each of their performances are going to be memorable for all of those in attendance and for those persons hosting the event;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim April 29, 2005, to be*

**GRAND OLE OPRY DAY**

*in Idaho, and I encourage all citizens to join together to pay special tribute to these pioneers of country music who have been key to its continued growth and popularity.*



*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this twenty-eight day of March in the year of our Lord two-thousand and five and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-ninth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred fifteenth.*

A handwritten signature of Dirk Kempthorne in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE  
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature of Ben Ysursa in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

BEN YSURSA  
SECRETARY OF STATE